

Urgent attention needs to be taken in the matter of Media Consolidation and control of the content which one person or small group of wealthy station owners can force on so many unsuspecting listeners. When did news programing no longer need to be put to the test of fair and unbiased? Most people grew up in a time when what they would hear on the news and other non-fiction programing was the reporting of facts. From what I understand, Sinclair Broadcasting has decided that it will pre-empt it's scheduled broadcasting to air a slander piece on Presidential Candidate John Kerry called "Stolen Honor." This piece will not air as "Paid Programing" or with the names of the organizations endorsing it clearly attached at regular intervals as stations often do with content that they may not agree with. Furthermore, John Kerry will NOT be given the right to equal time to refute such claims as would be just. I also understand that it is not a choice made by these stations based on the news and truthful merit of the piece to air it but something that they are being forced to do by these powerful media owners. IS IT NOT THE FCC'S PRIMARY FUNTION TO MONITOR AND REGULATE SUCH ABUSES OF THE PUBLIC AIRWAVES? It can easily be argued that these media conglomerates are abusing their use of the public airways for personal financial gain. Should they be allowed to interfere with the democratic process in this country by misrepresenting the truth on such a large scale? Let them get a yard sign to promote their choice of candidate like everyone else and NOT BE ALLOWED TO PROMOTE THEIR OPINIONS SO UNFAIRLY AND ANONYMOUSLY.

Please send me whatever form that I need to make a direct complaint against the renewal of Sinclair's license and please go as far as needed to put contols on Media Owners so this sitatuation may never arise again as soon as posible.
Thank You
From a citizen who feels like her rights are constantly under attack from the big mouths with money.
Sherry Handa